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For: **TEXTURE INFORMATION ASSIGNMENT METHOD, OBJECT  
EXTRACTION METHOD, THREE-DIMENSIONAL MODEL  
GENERATING METHOD, AND APPARATUS THEREOF**

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**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRIORITY DOCUMENTS**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office acknowledge the claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C 119 for the above-identified application.

It is respectfully submitted that a claim for priority was properly made and that certified copies of the priority documents have been filed in the corresponding prior U.S. patent application U.S. Serial No. 09/254,127, filed on November 1, 1999, as indicated in the enclosed copy of the originally filed Utility Patent Application Transmittal.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure: Copy of originally filed Utility Patent Application Transmittal

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In re International Application of

International Serial Number: PCT/JP97/02997

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For: Texture Information Assignment Method, Object Extraction Method, Three-dimensional Model Generating Method, and Apparatus Thereof

VERIFICATION OF TRANSLATION

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